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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

In connection with the Continuation Prosecution Application filed concurrently herewith, and prior to examination on the merits, please amend the subject application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the last paragraph on page 5 as follows:

In the process according to the invention, it is furthermore provided that at least part of the fibers run parallel to the axis of the blank. It is also possible, however, that at least a portion of the fibers have an orientation from 0 to 90°. Particularly when manufacturing

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